GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:25
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FRUITS AND VEGETABLE OUTLETS OF MOTHR DAIRY
S. SAIDUZZAMAN

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the fruits and vegetable outlets of Mother Dairy in Delhi are selling sub-standard products which are purchased from local subzimandis and not direct from farmers or the Co-operatives;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether cold storages attached to these outlets have been shut down for past one or two years to save expenditure adding to easy spoilage of vegetables/fruits;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government are aware that due to a large turn-over of concessionnaires many outlets have been running into losses; and

(f) if so, the details thereof including losses suffered during the last three years and till date, outlet-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The Mother Dairy Food Processing Ltd. is not selling any sub-standard products in its outlets.Most of the fruits and vegetables are procured directly from the farmers/farmer`s organizations. Due to logistic reasons, some quantity of fruits & vegetables is also purchased from the wholesale mandi of Delhi. All fruits & vegetables supplied to the Fruit & Vegetable shops are as per the quality norms laid down by Mother Dairy.

(b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c): The cold stores attached to the fruit & vegetable shops are not being operated since April 2002 after conducting trials. Dessert Coolers have been provided at the fruit & vegetable shops. The change has not led to easy spoilage of fruits & vegetables.

(d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.

(e): No such report has come to Government`s notice.

(f): Does not arise in view of (e) above.